TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HJR 539

January 28, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Proposes amending Article II, Section 28 of the Tennessee Constitution to prohibit, beginning July 1, 2015, the combined rate of state and local sales and use tax in each taxing jurisdiction in the state from exceeding the rate of taxation in each such taxing jurisdiction in effect on November 4, 2014. Resolves that this amendment be referred to the 108th General Assembly and that this resolution be published in compliance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Tennessee Constitution.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$18,000/One-Time

Assumptions:

- A one-time cost of \$18,000 to the Secretary of State to print notice of the proposed amendment in statutorily designated newspapers as required by this resolution.
- According to the Secretary of State, the average statewide cost to publish the last three constitutional amendments was \$17,700.
- Because Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution requires publication of the resolution before the next legislative election, this publication would occur in the spring of 2012.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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